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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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**Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting**

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council will hold a meeting of its Law Enforcement Technical Committee (LETC), in conjunction with the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission's Law Enforcement Committee (LEC).

**DATES:** The meeting will convene on Thursday, October 13, 2016; starting 8:30 a.m. and will adjourn at 5 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the JW Marriott New Orleans, located at 614 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70130; telephone: (504) 525.6500.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The items of discussion on the agenda are as follows:

***Thursday, October 13, 2016, 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.***

1. Welcome
2. LEC and LETC Voting Procedures
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Election of GMFMC LETC Chair and Vice-chair
5. Election of GSMFC LEC Chair and Vice-chair
6. Approval of Minutes
  - a. Approval of minutes of March 16, 2016 Joint LEC/LETC meeting

**Gulf Council LETC Items**

7. Solicitation for Candidates for 2017 Officer of the Year Award
8. Draft Reef Fish Amendment 36A – Commercial IFQ Program Modifications
9. Draft Reef Fish Amendment 46 – Gray Triggerfish Rebuilding Plan
10. Draft Generic Amendment to Require Electronic Reporting for For-hire Vessels
11. Draft Framework Action – Mutton Snapper ACL and Management Measures and  
Gag Commercial Size Limit

**GSMFC LEC Items**

12. Anthropocene Institute's Marine Managed Area Project
13. State Boundary and Jurisdictional Extensions
14. Approval of GSMFC Pubs
  - a. Strategic Plan 2017-2020
  - b. Operations Plan 2017-2018

15. IJF Program Activity

- a. Tripletail
- b. Atlantic Croaker

16. State Report Highlights

- a. Florida
- b. Alabama
- c. Mississippi
- d. Louisiana
- e. Texas
- f. USCG
- g. NOAA OLE
- h. USFWS

17. Other Business

– Meeting Adjourns –

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The Law Enforcement Technical Committee consists of principal law enforcement officers in each of the Gulf States, as well as the NOAA Law Enforcement, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the U.S. Coast Guard, and the NOAA General Counsel for Law Enforcement.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agenda may come before this group for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Actions will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take action to address the emergency.

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